

CHANGE IN THE MEETING: The following docket Numbers and Companies have been added on the Agenda scheduled for the July 29, 1998 meeting.

Item No.	Docket No. and company
CAG-44	RP96-173-000, <i>et al.</i> , Williams Gas Pipelines
CAG-54	RP89-183-081, Williams Gas Pipelines Central, Inc.

David P. Boergers,

Acting Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6134-1]

Agency Information Collection Activities Up for Renewal

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3506 (c)(2)), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) listed below is coming up for renewal. Before submitting the renewal package to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the collection as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 2, 1998.

ADDRESS: U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Assessment and Modeling Division, Emission Inventory Group, 2000 Traverwood Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Carl Fulper, Telephone: (734) 214-4400, Facsimile: (734) 214-4939.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected Entities: The entity affected by this action is the general public who own on-road motor vehicles.

Title: Mobile Source Emission Factor Survey—2060-0078

Abstract: The EPA Emission Inventory Group, through contractors, solicits the general public to voluntarily offer their vehicle for emissions testing. The owner is also asked to complete a multiple choice form of nine questions that summarize vehicle usage. There are two methods used to solicit the general public for participation in Emission Factors Program (EFP):

1. Postal cards are sent to a random selection of vehicle owners using State motor vehicle registration lists; and

2. A random selection of motor vehicle owners, who arrive at State inspection stations on an annual or biennial schedule, are solicited.

Information from the EFP provides a basis for developing State Implementation Plans (SIPs), Reasonable Further Progress (RFP) reports, are attainment status assessments for the National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS).

The legislative basis for the Emission Factors Program is Section 103(a)(1)(2)(3) of the Clean Air Act, which requires the Administrator to "conduct * * * research, investigations, experiments, demonstrations, surveys, and studies relating to the causes, effects, extent, prevention, and control of air pollution" and "conduct investigations and research and make surveys concerning any specific problem of air pollution in cooperation with any air pollution control agency * * *"

EPA uses the data from the EFP to verify predictions of the computer model known as MOBILE, which calculates the contribution of mobile source emissions to ambient air pollution. MOBILE is used by EPA, state and local air pollution agencies, the automotive industry, and other parties that are interested in estimating mobile source emissions.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

- Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;
- Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; and
- Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including the use of appropriate automated technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses).

Burden Statement: Public reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 10 minutes to 2 hours per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, completing the questionnaire, and delivering the vehicle for testing. Send comments regarding this burden estimate or any other aspect of this collection of information, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to:

Chief, Information Policy Branch, PM-223, U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency, 401 M St., S.W., Washington, DC 20460

and the Paperwork Reduction Project (OMB# 2060-0078),

Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Washington, D.C. 20503.

No person is required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control numbers for EPA's regulations are displayed in 40 CFR, Part 9.

Send comments regarding these matters, or any other aspect of the information collection, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the address listed above.

Dated: July 28, 1998.

Michael G. Shields,

Director, Policy Budget and Planning Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6133-6]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Proposed Collection; Comment Request; Ambient Air Quality Surveillance

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that EPA is planning to submit the following continuing Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB): Ambient Air Quality Surveillance, OMB Number (2060-0084), EPA ICR # 940.16 expires March 29, 1999. Before submitting the ICR to OMB for review and approval, EPA is soliciting comments on specific aspects of the proposed information collections as described below.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before October 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division (MD-14), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711. Interested parties may obtain a copy of the ICR without charge from David Lutz, EPA, Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division, MD-14, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-5476.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

David Lutz, Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division (MD-14), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Research Triangle Park, NC 27711, telephone (919) 541-5476, FAX (919) 541-1903.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Affected entities: Entities potentially affected by this action are those State and local air pollution control agencies which collect and report ambient air quality data for the criteria pollutants to EPA.

Title: Ambient Air Quality Surveillance, (OMB Number (2060-0084), EPA ICR # 940.16) expires March 29, 1999.

Abstract: The general authority for the collection of ambient air quality data is contained in sections 110 and 319 of the Clean Air Act (42 U.S.C. 1857). Section 110 makes it clear that State generated air quality data are central to the air quality management process through a system of State implementation plans (SIP). Section 319 was added via the 1977 Amendments to the Act and spells out the key elements of an acceptable monitoring and reporting scheme. To a large extent, the requirements of section 319 had already been anticipated in the detailed strategy document prepared by EPA's Standing Air Monitoring Work Group (SAMWG). The regulatory provisions to implement these recommendations were developed through close consultation with the State and local agency representatives serving on SAMWG and through reviews by ad-hoc panels from the State and Territorial Air Pollution Program Administrators and the Association of Local Air Pollution Control Officials. These modifications to the previous regulations were issued as final rules on May, 10, 1979 (44 FR 27558) and are contained in 40 CFR part 58.

Major amendments which affect the hourly burdens were made in 1983 for lead, 1987 for PM-10, 1993 for enhanced monitoring for ozone, and 1997 for PM_{2.5}. The specific required activities for the burden include establishing and operating ambient air monitors and samplers, conducting sample analyses for all pollutants for which a national ambient air quality standard (NAAQS) has been established, preparing, editing, and quality assuring the data, and submitting the ambient air quality data and quality assurance data to EPA.

Some of the major uses of the data are for judging attainment of the NAAQS, evaluating progress in achieving/maintaining the NAAQS or State/local standards, developing or revising SIP's,

evaluating control strategies, developing or revising national control policies, providing data for model development and validation, supporting enforcement actions, documenting episodes and initiating episode controls, documenting population exposure, and providing information to the public and other interested parties.

The EPA would like to solicit comments to:

(i) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility;

(ii) Evaluate the accuracy of the Agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(iii) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and

(iv) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Burden Statement: It is estimated that there are presently 136 State and local agencies which are currently required to submit the ambient air quality data and quality assurance data to EPA on a quarterly basis. The current annual burden for the collection and reporting of ambient air quality data has been estimated on the existing ICR to be (2,253,359) hours, which would average out to be approximately (16,569) hours per respondent. As a part of this ICR renewal, an evaluation will be made of the labor burden associated with this activity.

Burden means the total time, effort, or financial resources expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, or disclose or provide information to or for a Federal agency. This includes the time needed to review instructions; develop, acquire, install, and utilize technology and systems for the purposes of collecting, validating, and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; adjust the existing ways to comply with any previously applicable instructions and requirements, train personnel to be able to respond to a collection of information; search data sources; complete and review the collection of information; and transmit or otherwise disclose the information.

Dated: July 22, 1998

William F. Hunt, Jr.,

Director, Emissions, Monitoring, and Analysis Division.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

[FRL-6133-4]

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request; Information Requirements for Locomotives and Locomotive Engines

AGENCY: Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this document announces that the following Information Collection Request (ICR) has been forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval: Information Requirements for Locomotives and Locomotive Engines. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost; where appropriate, it includes the actual data collection instrument.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before September 2, 1998.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Contact Sandy Farmer at EPA by phone at (202) 260-2740, by email at farmer.sandy@epamail.epa.gov, or download off the Internet at <http://www.epa.gov/icr> and refer to EPA ICR No. 1800.01.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: Information Requirements for Locomotives and Locomotive Engines (EPA ICR No. 1800.01). This is a new collection.

Abstract: Section 213(5) of the Clean Air Act (CAA), as amended in 1990, requires that EPA promulgate regulations containing standards applicable to emissions from new locomotives and new engines used in locomotives. Information is needed to demonstrate compliance with emissions standards when a locomotive is freshly manufactured, in-use, and at each remanufacturing or upgrading event for the locomotive program's success. The information submission requirements are mandatory. Information such as engine family, rebuild system type, total numbers manufactured or remanufactured, megawatt hours or miles at remanufacture, and emissions